

**Table XII. Current cigarette smoking by persons 18 years of age and over, according to race and Hispanic origin under the 1977 and 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and ethnicity: United States, average annual 1993–95**

1997 Standards	Sample size	Percent	Standard error	1977 Standards	Sample size	Percent	Standard error
Race							
White only . . . . .	46,228	25.2	0.26	White . . . . .	46,664	25.3	0.26
Black or African American only . . . . .	7,208	26.6	0.64	Black . . . . .	7,334	26.5	0.63
American Indian and Alaska Native only . . . . .	416	32.9	2.53	American Indian and Alaska Native . . . . .	480	33.9	2.38
Asian only . . . . .	1,370	15.0	1.19	Asian and Pacific Islander . . . . .	1,411	15.5	1.22
2 or more races total . . . . .	786	34.5	2.00				
Black or African American; White . . . . .	83	*21.7	6.05				
American Indian and Alaska Native; White . . . . .	461	40.0	2.58				
Race, any mention							
White, any mention . . . . .	46,882	25.3	0.26				
Black or African American, any mention . . . . .	7,382	26.6	0.63				
American Indian and Alaska Native, any mention . . . . .	965	36.3	1.71				
Asian, any mention . . . . .	1,458	15.7	1.20				
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, any mention . . . . .	53	*17.5	5.10				
Hispanic origin and race							
Not Hispanic or Latino:				Non-Hispanic:			
White only . . . . .	42,421	25.8	0.27	White . . . . .	42,976	25.9	0.27
Black or African American only . . . . .	7,053	26.7	0.65	Black . . . . .	7,203	26.7	0.64
American Indian and Alaska Native only . . . . .	358	33.5	2.69	American Indian and Alaska Native . . . . .	407	35.4	2.53
Asian only . . . . .	1,320	14.8	1.21	Asian and Pacific Islander . . . . .	1,397	15.3	1.24
2 or more races total . . . . .	687	35.6	2.15				
Hispanic or Latino . . . . .	5,175	17.8	0.65	Hispanic . . . . .	5,175	17.8	0.65

\*Relative standard error 20–30 percent.

NOTES: The 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and ethnicity set five single-race groups (White, Black, American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, and Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander) and allow respondents to report one or more race groups. Estimates for single-race and multiple-race groups not shown above do not meet standards for statistical reliability or confidentiality (relative standard error greater than 30 percent). Race groups under the 1997 Standards were based on the question, "What is the group or groups which represents \_\_\_\_ race?" For persons who selected multiple groups, race groups under the 1977 Standards were based on the additional question, "Which of those groups would you say best represents \_\_\_\_ race?" Race-specific estimates in this table were calculated after excluding respondents of other and unknown race. Other published race-specific estimates are based on files in which such responses have been edited. Percents are age adjusted to the year 2000 standard using three age groups: Under 18 years, 18–44 years, and 45–64 years of age. See [Appendix II, Age adjustment](#).

SOURCE: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics. National Health Interview Survey.

group under the 1997 Standards is slightly smaller than the sample size under the 1977 Standards. Only those few multiple-race groups with sufficient numbers of observations to meet standards of statistical reliability are shown. [Tables XII and XIII](#) also illustrate changes in labels and group categories in the 1997 Standards. The race designation of Black was changed to Black or African American and the ethnicity designation of Hispanic was changed to Hispanic or Latino.

Data systems included in *Health, United States*, other than the National Health Interview Survey (NHIS) and the National Survey of Drug Use & Health (NSDUH), generally do not permit tabulation of estimates for the detailed race and ethnicity categories shown in [tables XII and XIII](#), either because race data based on the 1997

standard categories are not yet available or because there are insufficient numbers of observations to meet statistical reliability or confidentiality requirements.

*National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES)*—Starting with *Health, United States, 2003* race-specific estimates based on NHANES were tabulated using the 1997 Standards for data years 1999 and beyond. Prior to data year 1999, the 1977 Standards were used. Because of the differences between the two Standards, the race-specific estimates shown in trend tables based on the NHANES for 1999–2000 are not strictly comparable with estimates for earlier years. Each trend table based on the NHANES includes a footnote that discusses differences between estimates tabulated using the two Standards for survey